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Sir:

In the matter of the above-captioned application for a United States patent, notice is hereby given that the Applicant claims the priority date of the PCT application PCT/JP2005/000662, filed January 20, 2005, which claims the priority date of Japanese Patent Application 2004-012048 filed January 20, 2004, all of which is incorporated by reference.

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